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## SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. ....

S.1, Special Branch Station,

## REPORT

Date June 29, 1937.

Subject Oriental Social Club

Made by D.S. Hocking

Forwarded by

J. Coyne &amp; S.S.

With reference to the attached letter from the North China Daily News & Herald dated 15th June regarding an advertisement intended for publication in the "Straits Times": I have to report that P.O.Box 559, the address in Shanghai of the Oriental Social Club, is rented by a Mr. Adolph Raphace Feldger, alias Feedher, a Russian Jew, born 36 years ago at Zair, Amur Province, Siberia, who is residing at present at 6, Passage 220, Route Vallon.

Feldger arrived in Shanghai from Vladivostock in 1923, since which date he has been variously employed as a proof-reader with the now defunct Siberian Press, as a book-keeper with the Siberian Jewellery Store, Nanking Road, and in a similar capacity with both the China Oil Refineries Associated, 24 The Bund, and Spuncrete (North China) Ltd., 1087, East Yuhang Road, leaving the last mentioned firm on its liquidation in the Spring of 1934. In the same year Mr. Feldger opened up the United Commercial Service Agency at Room 622, 133 Yuen Ming Yuen Road, but as this venture proved a failure he, with several other Russians, formed the Bennett Matrimonial Bureau. Application was made to the Shanghai City Government for registration of the concern when Mr. Feldger stated his nationality to be German, but when it was found, on enquiry, that Mr. Feldger was not registered with the German Consulate, his application was refused. In the Spring of 1935 Mr. Feldger became Secretary of the Albion Crystal Co. Ltd., merchants, at 984, Route de Zicawei.

In July 1936 Mr. Feldger together with Mr. Diamond, a British Lawyer, and several Russians, was associated with the Brown Investigation Agency, with offices at Room 806, 113, Kiu-kiang Road.

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So far as has been ascertained Mr. Feldger has at no time done anything discreditable in his association with the above mentioned concerns. His present venture, The Oriental Social Club, would appear to be similar in nature to some of his other undertakings. For some reason which has not been ascertained he does not appear to be in the least interested in local application for membership of his club as letters addressed to Box 559 asking for particulars have remained unanswered.

There is nothing in French Police records detrimental to his character or morals.

*D. S. Hocking*  
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*D. S. Hocking  
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*I think officer must be made to explain the curious point.*

*OB  
30 JUNE 1937*

*DBH  
29/6*

POSTAL ADDRESS:  
P.O. Box 707 SHANGHAI

TELEGRAMS: HERALD SHANGHAI

NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS & HERALD LTD.

THE NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS  
THE NORTH-CHINA SUNDAY NEWS  
THE NORTH-CHINA HERALD (WEEKLY)  
ESTABLISHED 1850

SHANGHAI

June 15, 1937

Major K. M. Bourne,  
Shanghai Municipal Police,  
Foochow Road.

Dear Major Bourne,

The "Straits Times," Singapore, have been asked to insert the attached advertisement in their paper and have written to me to ask my views about the club, as they do not wish to accept the advertisement unless they know more about it.

Possibly it is known to your department, in which case I shall be very glad to pass any opinion on to the "Straits Times." Perhaps you will return the copy in due course.

Yours sincerely,

*R. V. Davis*

*S.*

*Refer early plan*

*D. S. J. Laurier*  
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ORIENTAL SOCIAL CLUB.

The foremost select social correspondence club  
in the Far East. A friendship letter society  
for ladies and gentlemen.

Write for free particulars.

Post Office Box 559, Shanghai.

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Section 1, Special Branch *Stitch*  
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Date *August 24, 19 37.*

Subject *Oriental Social Club.*

Made by *D.S. Hocking*

Forwarded by

*C. Gamba*

With reference to the remarks of the D.C. (Special Branch) on the attached file as to why the above club appears to have no interest in local application for membership; it would seem from enquiries made at the Post Office that the Oriental Social Club has now ceased to exist.

*D. S. Hocking*  
D. S.

D.C. (Special Branch)

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REPORT

Date..... July 7, 1937

Subject..... Oriental Social Club

Made by..... D.S. Hocking

Forwarded by.....

C. C. C. S. J.

With reference to Mr. Davis' letter of July 6 and  
the endorsement of the P.A. to D.C. (Special Branch), I have to  
report that all information regarding the above club, embodied  
in the attached report of June 29, has been passed on to  
Mr. Davis.

D. S. Hocking

D.C. (Special Branch).



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Further  
via D.C. S.S. Branch  
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D.S. Hocking  
please see above.  
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POSTAL ADDRESS:  
P.O. Box 707 SHANGHAI

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THE NORTH-CHINA HERALD (WEEKLY)  
ESTABLISHED 1880

SHANGHAI

July 6, 1937

Major K. M. Bourne,  
Police Headquarters,  
Foochow Road.

Dear Major Bourne,

I wrote you on June 15 about an advertisement  
for the "Oriental Social Club." As I have had no answer I assume  
that the Police do not know anything about this club and will there-  
fore inform the Straits Times, Singapore, from <sup>whom</sup> the enquiry came, to  
this effect.

Yours faithfully,

*R. V. Davis*

Secretary and Manager  
North-China Daily News & Herald Ltd.

P.A.

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S.I.  
(Ds. Hocking)

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section 1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date October 26, 1938

Subject (in full) Oriental Social Club.

Made by D.S.I. Prokofiev.

Forwarded by

C. Crawford D.I.

Interviewed on October 24, 1938 in connection with his application to join the Jewish Company, S.V.O., Mr. A.R. Felder, owner of the P.O. Box 559 in Shanghai - the address of the Oriental Social Club, stated inter alia that this club is still in the period of formation. One of the principal promoters of the club seems to be a certain Mr. Leo Prentice, who is reported to be in Manila at present.

Mr. Felder furnished the attached pamphlet describing the aims pursued by the Oriental Social Club.

There is a possibility that Mr. Leo Prentice is identical with one Prentice, unrecognized American, one of the organizers of the Cosmopolitan Clothing Club, 16 Central Arcade, in September, 1933. ( File D-5561 ).

D.S.I. Prokofiev.

A.P. E. 26/10.

A. Prokofiev

D. S. I.

P.A. to D.C. Sp. S.I. C. ( Special Branch ).

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